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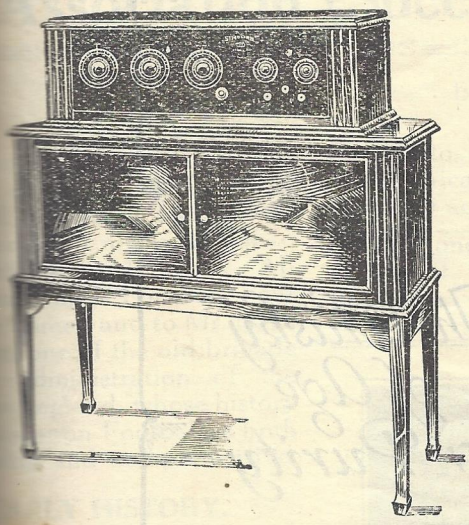

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# Association (Soccer) Football: Its Origin and Evolution

By R.H.M.

mpiling these articles rigin and evolution of in general and Soccer ular, I am indebted to ings of Mr. C. W. Al- and his "Football—our Game" and to Mr. N. L. one of the old brigade administration of the England, whose history iation Football is both and comprehensive.

## ARLY HISTORY.

45, the players who lged in a mixture of and Soccer, with un- laws to guide them, le as to whether the or Romans had kicked ed the ball.

ty years later Mr. C. W. a prominent player of compiled the first evi- of the antiquity of the which he loved so well so much for. It is re- that the Greeks had at games of ball, while recorded as being in- in by the Romans, but it lt to trace any of these rigin of football.

Roman game "harpas- eems to have been ac- the origin from which by Union game sprung. mans may or may not troduced the "harpastum" into England. There is no historical evidence to show that they actually did so.

Only one conclusion can be arrived at from the early descriptions of the game, viz., that amongst the Romans there was a game of ball strongly similar in its chief characteristics to the game now played under Rugby Union rules. If that contention is correct, the "harpastum" is as much the progenitor of Association football as of the Rugby game, for undoubtedly both came from the same stock between 1860 and 1870, as will be shown in subsequent articles.

R. H. MIDGLEY
President
Canterbury Soccer Football Club

Ball games, but not necessarily football games, have been indulged in Britain since the 12th century, for one, Fitz Stephen, wrote in that period that the boys "annually on Shrove Tuesday go into the fields and play at the well-known game of ball." The word football is not mentioned, but it is reasonable to infer that as Shrove Tuesday and football were inseparately connected in olden times, the "well-known game" was the precursor of the equally well-known football of the 19th century.

There is in Chester an inscription dated 1553, which states that "the offering of the ball and footballs was put down, and the silver bell was offered to the Mayor upon Shrove Tuesday." In fact there is abundance of evidence of football games of various kinds being played throughout Britain since early in the 13th century.

It is also an accepted fact that the games were played in a far different spirit to what w. have to-day.

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# Hot from Brisbane

## Day of Big Scoring: Teddy Owen's Transfer: Game More Popular.

(By G. R. TAINTON.)

**Saturday was a day of big scoring** in seniordom. Bundamba defeated Pineapple Rovers, the premiers, 7-1, Latrobe triumphed over Shafston, 8-2 and Dinmore fell victims to Blackstone, 6-1. More goals! That was what we had expected under the new off-side rule. A close observation of the manner in which goals were scored on Saturday revealed that quite a number of them would have been disallowed under the old law. The speedy Ipswich players especially are reaping a harvest from the change.

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Latrobe's latest capture is Teddy Owen, the Queensland custodian. So one sided was the affair, that Owen, who secured his tranfer from Wynnum, a Second Division club, did not do anything brilliant against Shafston on Saturday. Owen played with the Welsh Fusiliers' Soccer XI. during the war, and helped Llanidloes win the Welsh amateur cup in 1922-23.

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**Soccer's ever-increasing popularity** in Brisbane was again demonstrated on Saturday when at headquarters, the Brisbane Cricket Ground, the "Gate," compared with the corresponding day last year, was a record.

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**The new challenge competition** to be introduced at the close of the premiership fixtures is not finding favour with all the clubs. The premiership semi-finals, final and right of challenge, were eliminated at the end of last season, because, so it was said, "it was not done in England." Now the Management Committee has hit on the idea of a special challenge contest to be run independently of the premiership fixtures. The competition will be open to the four leading clubs at the end of the premiership fight, and the premiers will have the right of challenge. The winners who will be declared State champions will receive £20 and a trophy.

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**Besides helping** to maintain interest in the premiership fixtures, the new competition should prove a big attraction to the public; and the coffers of the Q.F.A. would benefit accordingly. And money is badly needed just now to push the game ahead, particularly in the schools on which rival codes have lately been concentrating much of their attention.

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**One of the best backs** seen in action at the 'Gabba on Saturday, was David Todd, of Thistle. It was Todd's first appearance with Thistle this season, and his coolness under pressure, his keen tackling, his placing, and general reliableness, were quite a feature of the match. Todd toured New South Wales with the Queensland team in 1924. A versatile player, he can when necessity arises, fill nearly every position on the field with success. Cumberford toured New Zealand with the Australian team in 1922.

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**Dave Cumberford**, who made his season's debut as Thistle's centre on Saturday, largely contributed to the Scotsmen's 4-2 success over the Ipswich team, Bush Rats, by his direct, go ahead methods in front of goal. Jock May, the new star inside right from Scotland, performed brilliantly alongside the centre. Thistle's close methods in the first half proved of no avail against the free, dashing, swinging style of Bush Rats. But a sudden change in tactics in the second moiety, involving long passing much to the liking of Cumberford and May averted the disaster which at first threatened Thistle who, after an exciting finish, won by four goals to two.

Now is the time for the members of Soccer teams ously study their physical

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## Metropolitan Refe

At the usual fortnightly of the above Association interesting lecture was that popular referee, A. who outlined the duties of taking the field to control game, and dealt very full different laws of the and the many infrin that may occur during the This is one of the many that it is the intention of ture Committee to conduct the season, so as to endeavour bring about a higher class ciency, and a uniformity sions. Much is being done sist the young to the finer the game, and this is prove of the best methods to attain this objective.

The next meeting the Board proposes to deal fully Law 13 and Law 17, and are asked to be present the full interpretation laws.

## Football: Its Origin Evolution.

(Continued from Page 3)

re can be no doubt that arly days football was an perous and disreputable er of British sports, and an "habitual criminal" haracter—a fact to which we most of the earliest nces to the game, as many se records refer to little han crimes and grievan-

April 13th, 1314, Ed- II. issued a proclamation ing the game as leading breach of the peace. in 1349 Edward III. ed an edict against including football, hoc- wrestling, cock-fighting, quoits, fives and throw- nes.

y of these do not appeal s being particularly hec- day, particularly the skit- quoits, but Edward III. ted them, we under- on the grounds that they olish games, and sug- the noble art of archery g much more useful.

ball was again forbid- Henry IV. in 1410, d by Richard II. and I., and in 1491 a Royal ation was made forbid- lf and football.

eaks well for the inher- rm of the game, as for ermination of the play- t football should have d the long series of at- at repression made by e monarchs, and it is ing to know that in enlightened days the s followed by hundreds sands of the populace, t it has found favour yalty, for H.M. The Patron of the Football ion and of the Rugby

(To be continued)

## Further Experiences. at a "Rules" Match

By "Darkie."

It almost staggered me after the rough handling I had last week at the "Oval," but for the sake of peace and quietness, I suppose that I will have to endure it as best I can.

It happened this way. News was received in the household that my country cousin was due to arrive from Orange on the morrow, and I was respectfully requested to accompany him to a "Rules" match, at Erskineville Oval.

I vainly protested that I had no interest in such slaughters, but I was told that for sociability's sake I would have to condescend.

The fateful day had arrived, and with inward qualms, and groaning of the spirit I went. I think I must have had a relapse, because instead of having only two goal-posts there were four at each end! I don't know what the idea is, but I guess that the extra ones are in case a player happens to charge the goal head-down and damage an upright.

Seated on one side of the enclosure was a scribe with a big book. This, I take it, was to record the score in. He must have worn out quite a number of pencils during the afternoon.

At last we are to witness the great and mighty conflict. The referee walks into the playing area, and toots his whistle. Soon after there were about fifty combatants in the arena. After they had been duly counted and sorted out they crowded all over the field.

I always thought that referees were not eligible to take part in the combat, but evidently in this pastime they are, because the referee picked up the ball and gave it a vicious bounce on the ground. This was a signal for a general scrimmage on the part of all and sundry nearby. One fellow picked up the ball, but it must have been hot or something, because he kept bouncing it all the way down the field until he came within "shooting" distance of the opponent's goal. With a vicious kick the ball was placed right over the posts. This was a sign for great cheering and rejoicing on the part of many gathered around. The chap with the big book wrote something and started to add up. I'll warrant he had a headache before the match was finished.

Before the tumult had subsided I noticed two energetic youths semaphoring to one another. I can't understand that in football. But I suppose it is some innovation of their own.

Gee! The referee was a dud. Offside play repeatedly passed unpenalised. In fact the combatants seemed to delight in being offside. It was like second nature to them.

Play continued and the chap with the big book was very busy, so were the two youthfuls with the flags.

But, lo! I have an inspiration. Surely my cousin can look after himself or the remainder of the match. I'll risk asking him anyway. Yes, of course he could. He would meet me outside the gate as soon as the conflict was over. Where did I want to go? What was the attraction outside? These were a few of the many questions that were hurled at me. I thought it would be indiscreet to answer them, though.

At last I was free. What a relief it was. I quickly made my way across the sward and was soon enraptured with some of Sam. Howard's Juniors on Alexandria Park, Their play held more interest for me than the Aussie Rules I managed to escape from.

Next week I'm going out on dead serious business. I'm gonna show the members of the "Association" how to check gates and keep the crowd from saying nasty things to the referee.

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## Matches for Saturday next.

Sydney Cridket Ground, No. 2.

**Glad.-Ryde v. Balgownie**

3.15

**Canterbury v. Glad,-Ryde**

1.45

# PROGRAMME

GRANVILLE v. WOONOONA, at Woonoona, 3.30 p.m.

1st Grade.

GRANVILLE.
(Black and White.)
Atchison
1 N. Hill 2 W. Mace
3 A. White 4 Jones 5 J. Hele
6 L. Dunn 7 Clarke 8 T. Oliver 9 S. O'Toole 10 D. McKay
O
6 T. Flint 7 F. Wilson 8 A. Oldfield 9 A. Viegal 10 W. James
3 E. Sharples 4 A. Cunningham 5 E. Jarrett
1 D. Green 2 P. Head
S. Howard
Reserves—11 S. Jones, 12 F. Ward, 13 F. Harper

WOONOONA.

2nd Grade, 1.45 p.m.

GRANVILLE v. ANNANDALE-LEICHHARDT, Clyde Oval, 3.15

GRANVILLE.
(Black and White.)
Doodson
12 Rigby 13 Hilder
14 Bainbridge 15 C. McKay 16 Ladbury
17 Aitchinson 18 McDowell 19 A. McKay 20 Gapes 21 Daley
O
20 J. Turner 19 S. Quinn 18 S. Campbell 17 W. Park 16 J. Gigg
15 W. Burcham 14 A. Crum 13 G. Graham
12 G. Froome 11 W. Sims
J. Cole
ANNANDALE-LEICHHARDT.

Referee—W. Doidge.

# INTER-DISTRICT GAME.

## NEWCASTLE'S WIN.

For the opening of the new ground at New Lambton last Saturday an Inter-District match was played between Sydney and Newcastle representative teams. Newcastle won by 3 to nil.

Sydney: Goal, F. Anderson; backs, W. Brown and J. Driscoll; half-backs, C. O'Connor, A. Edwards, and H. Barr; forwards, S. Bourke, J. Suddick, S. Robinson, H. Henson, and H. James.

Newcastle: Goal, P. Jordan; backs, A. Harris and H. Muir; half-backs, H. Wilson, C. Coutts, and J. Bush; forwards, C. James, A. Cameron, J. McCroary, J. Hogan, and R. McNaughton.

Referee, F. Harvey.

Coutts won the toss, and the Mayor of New Lambton set the ball in motion. Newcastle was first to attack, but O'Connor intercepted Hogan's pass. Newcastle secured the first corner, which was well placed by McNaughton. Coutts headed in, but Anderson cleared. Sydney got away on the right, but Bourke put behind. A moment later, Suddick sent a pass to Bourke, who centred. Muir saved. Newcastle opened the score when Harris cleared to Coutts, who sent to Cameron, over to Hogan, to McCroary, who put back to Hogan, who ran in and scored a good goal. Newcastle 1, Sydney nil.

Play was even until Cameron sent in a hot shot, which struck the cross-bar, James centred, and McCroary, tricking Brown, was only a few yards off the goal with only Anderson to beat, when again the ball hit the cross bars. At half-time scores were unaltered.

After a quiet opening, Newcastle increased its lead, when McNaughton centred to Cameron, who headed into the net. Newcastle 2, Sydney nil. Sydney appeared to be tiring. Newcastle's third goal was scored by McCroary, whose left-boot shot found the centre. Newcastle 3, Sydney nil. The end of the game was quiet, with Sydney slightly the better.

In early match, Eastern Suburbs and Western Suburbs played a draw, one all.

# Correspondence

The columns of this journal are open for the discussion of any subject of interest to Soccer patrons. The opinions expressed by correspondents are not necessarily those of The Editor.

## SOCCER GROUNDS

(To the Editor "Soccer News.")

Dear Sir,—

I note with disapproval "Mandalay's" letter in a recent issue of "Soccer News."

I think the writer of that epistle must be one of those who expect to extract blood from a stone. Perhaps he is not aware of the fact that the clubs who have taken leases of the grounds have not full control as regards the improvements he mentions.

It was not until the beginning of last season; when district football was introduced, that the clubs were required to furnish grounds. I think that the clubs have done remarkably well, considering the difficulties that present themselves in obtaining a suitable ground.

I am, etc.,
"SATURN."

## "Stay at Home."

Dear Sir,—

Judging by the tone of "Mandalay's" letter, published in a recent issue of your admirable paper, I think he is one of the "Soccer enthusiasts" as he terms himself, and are not worth troubling about.

He mentions about having to pay one shilling to gain admission to the main area, and an extra pence for sitting in the stand. I would like to ask the writer where he gain admission to any other class of football played in Sydney for less than the prices mentioned.

My advice to "Mandalay" is, if he doesn't like putting up with a few small inconveniences, the thing he can do is to keep his money in his pocket and stay at home.

I am, etc.,

## Northern Suburbs Association.

matches of the commencing the season were well con- last Saturday. The Asso- venture in securing Wai- is assured of success, as people entered the enclo- The selectors of the Junior will visit Waitara on 8th view the games and decide chances of players for selec- inst the Queensland Juniors June at Redfern Oval.

results of last week's mat- ere:—

1st Grade.

District beat Lane Cove,

Sydney Rangers beat Sydney Bridge, 8-0.

beat Crow's Nest, 3-2.

2nd Grade.

Sydney Rangers "A" beat lle, 2-0.

District "A" beat Continua- Schools, 10-2.

District "B" beat North Rangers "B," 4-2.

fixtures for 8th inst. have ified and the clubs will re- list for the whole season on The next General is on 20th May, at the Hall, Chatswood, when im- business will be dealt with, are requested to properly for attending to the Asso- affairs.

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## Victorious Englishmen.

During the recent tour of Australia by the Englishmen, 25 games were played, the whole being won by England, the results being as follows:—

| Date of Match. | Place. | Versus | Goals Eng. | Goals Aust. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7.5.25 | Perth | West Australia | 8 | 0 |
| 9.5.25 | Fremantle | West Australia | 7 | 0 |
| 14.5.25 | Adelaide | South Australia | 10 | 0 |
| 16.5.25 | Adelaide | Australia (Exhibition) | 4 | 1 |
| 20.5.25 | Melbourne | Victoria | 7 | 0 |
| 23.5.25 | Melbourne | Australia (Exhibition) | 5 | 0 |
| 27.5.25 | Cootamundra | Abandoned (Rain) | | |
| 30.5.25 | Sydney | New South Wales | 3 | 2 |
| 3.6.25 | Sydney | Metropolis | 3 | 1 |
| 6.6.25 | Wollongong | Illawarra District | 8 | 0 |
| 8.6.25 | Sydney | New South Wales | 4 | 1 |
| 13.6.25 | Newcastle | Northern Districts | 6 | 0 |
| 17.6.25 | Ipswich | Ipswich and West Moreton | 3 | 0 |
| 20.6.25 | Brisbane | Queensland | 11 | 0 |
| 24.6.25 | Bundaberg | North Coast | 9 | 0 |
| 27.6.25 | Brisbane | AUSTRALIA (1st Test) | 5 | 1 |
| 29.6.25 | Toowoomba | Toowoomba | 6 | 0 |
| 4.7.25 | Sydney | AUSTRALIA (2nd Test) | 2 | 1 |
| 8.7.25 | Newcastle | Newcastle | 3 | 0 |
| 11.7.25 | Maitland | AUSTRALIA (3rd Test) | 8 | 2 |
| 15.7.25 | Cessnock | Maitland | 4 | 1 |
| 18.7.25 | Sydney | AUSTRALIA (4th Test) | 5 | 0 |
| 21.7.25 | Granville | Granville District | 6 | 1 |
| 23.7.25 | Sydney | Exhibition Match | — | — |
| 25.7.25 | Melbourne | AUSTRALIA (5th Test) | 2 | 0 |
| 1.8.25 | Perth | West Australia | 5 | 1 |
| 3.8.25 | Perth | West Australia | 5 | 1 |

England scored 139 goals against 13.

This does not take into consideration the Exhibition match between mixed sides comprising both Australian and English players which took place in Sydney on the 23rd July.

The match arranged to take place at Cootamundra on the 27th May, 1925, was abandoned owing to floods.

Five Test Matches were played, Australia scoring four goals as against seventeen in these games against England.

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J. Young.

ry: R. Grieve, "The Dell," St., Canterbury.

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## PROGRAMME

BALGOWNIE v. GLADESVILLE-RYDE, Sydney Cricket
1st Grade

BALGOWNIE.
(BLACK AND WHITE)

D. Richardson
1 N. Johnson 2 P. Hunter
3 N. Swan 4 R. James 5 W.
6 A. Millahan 7 D. Ward 8 J. Masters 9 S. Learmont
O
10 H. Robertson H. Henson 8 J. Simmons 7
5 H. Spurway 4 W. Mazey 3
2 E. Pont 1 A. Montgomery
McKissock

GLADESVILLE-RYDE.
(White.)

Reserves—Balgownie, 11 J. Scarlet 12 A. Masters 13 J.
Gladesville, 11 G. McFarlan 12 A. Wright

Referee—A. W. Bates. Linesmen—Messrs. Cockwell and

2nd Grade, 1.45
GLADEVILLE-RYDE v. CANTERBURY

GLADESVILLE-RYDE.
Smith
13 Graves 12 Graham
16 J. Spurway 15 Watt 14
23 Glanville 22 Guy 21 F. Jennings 20
O
21 Gould 20 Buchanan 19 Horan 18 McLeod
16 Tyson 15 Robinson 14
13 Meicham 12 Crowhurst
Kellie

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Referee—G. Skelly.


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BALMAIN v. PYRMONT-SOUTH SYDNEY. Easton Park,
1st Grade, 3.15

BALMAIN.
(BLACK AND GOLD HALVES)

H. Simmons

1 F. Barron 2 R. Leadbetter
W. Ferguson 4 F. Hancock 5 W. Byers
7 W. Craig 8 Kendrick 9 J. Sinclair 10 E. Heyman

O

9 J. Callaghan 8 Veigal 7 E. Childs 6 V. Edwards
5 E. Thomas 4 J. McKinney 3 Bailey
2 Casley 1 T. Burke

N. Verity

PYRMONT-SOUTH SYDNEY
(BLUE)

W. Wright. Linesmen, Messrs. R. Baker and Purdy

2nd Grade, 1.45

BALMAIN v. PYRMONT-SOUTH SYDNEY.

BALMAIN.

T. Davidson

12 W. Pont 13 S. Jelfs
A. McKillop 15 L. Jelfs 16 R. White
Donald 18 Gilmartin 19 H. McLeod 20 W. Buttel 21 D. McIvor

O

Watson 19 A. Watson 18 T. King 17 E. Richards 16 Adamson
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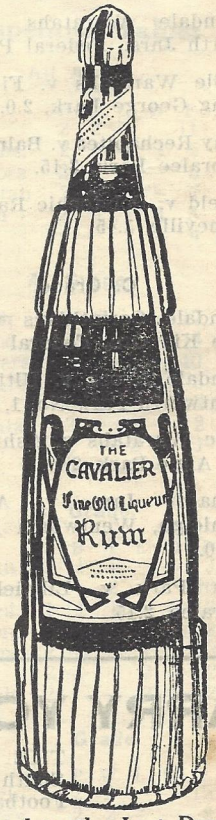


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### To-Day's Fixtures.

**All Age.**

White Bay Power House v. Leichhardt Jnrs, Wentworth Park, 3.15.

Newtown Jnrs. v. Plywood Rovers, Erskineville, 3.15.

Glebe I.O.O.F. v. Annandale Federals, Wentworth Park No. 1, 3.15.

Easton Park v. Geo. Hudson, King George Park, 3.15.

Five Dock v. Lilyfield, Algie Park, 3.15.

Perdriau Rubber Co., bye.

**B. Grade.**

Annandale Waratahs v. Wentworth Jnrs., Federal Park, 3.15.

Rozelle Waratahs v. Firfail Iona, King George Park, 2.0.

Botany Rechabites v. Balmain Jnrs., Booralee Park, 3.15.

Lilyfield v. Polytechic Rangers, Erskineville, 1.45.

**C. Grade.**

Annandale Corinthians v. Annandale Kia Ora, Federal Park, 2.0.

Annandale Avoca v. Ultimo Jnrs., Wentworth Park No. 1, 2.0.

Rozelle Waratahs v. Ashfield Rovers, Algie Park, 2.0.

Leichhardt Jnrs. v. Annandale Fernleigh, Wentworth Park No. 2, 2.0.

Easton Park v. Lilyfield Jnrs., Booralee, 2.15.

## Australia's Elect.

The following players represented Australia in the Test match against England last year:—

| Name | Position | No. of Tests | State. |
|---|---|---|---|
| G. Cartwright | Goal | Four | N.S.W. |
| J. Robison | ,, | One | Victoria |
| F. Gallen | Back | Three | N.S.W. |
| S. Robinson | ,, | Two | N.S.W. |
| G. Faulkner | ,, | Two | S. Australia |
| A. Harris | ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| J. Mitchell | ,, | One | S. Australia |
| — Aiken | ,, | One | Victoria |
| G. Storey | Half Back | Three | N.S.W. |
| A. Edwards | ,, ,, | Four | N.S.W. |
| A. E. Murray | ,, ,, | One | Queensland |
| H. Spurway | ,, ,, | Three | N.S.W. |
| A. Lambert | ,, ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| C. O'Connor | ,, ,, | Two | N.S.W. |
| — Morrison | ,, ,, | One | Victoria |
| S. Bourke | Forward | Three | N.S.W. |
| P. Lennard | ,, | Four | N.S.W. |
| J. McCroarey | ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| L. Brown | ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| A. McNaughton | ,, | Five | N.S.W. |
| J. Smith | ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| J. Sheringham | ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| J. Masters | ,, | Three | N.S.W. |
| T. Thompson | ,, | Three | N.S.W. |
| A. Burns | ,, | One | N.S.W. |
| — Eccles | ,, | One | Victoria |
| A. Phillips | ,, | One | N.S.W. |

The following players scored goals for Australia in the Tests:—P. Lennard, two; J. Smith, one; and T. Thompson, one.

ANNANDALE--LEICHARDT v THIRROUL, Ibrox Park 3.15
1st Grade

ANNANDALE-LEICHHARDT.
(Black)
F. Anderson

1 J. Crum 2 W. Turner
3 A. Owen 4 F. Lambert 5 C. Sproule
6 R. Birch 7 J. Allan 8 L. Brisbane 9 R. Books 10 R. Osborne

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THIRROUL.
Team not to hand

Referee, J. Lester, Linesmen, Messrs. White and Arber.

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ST. GEORGE v. EASTERN SUBURBS, Redfern Oval, 1st Grade, 3.15

EASTERN SUBURBS.
(Red, White and Blue.)

W. Manson
1 Bennie 2 C. Read
3 T. English 4 J. Comrie 5 B. Thomson
S. Nobbs 7 C. O'Connor 8 R. Howell 9 A. Roberts 10 R. Maitland

O

E. Soames 7 G. Brown 8 T. Robson 9 C. Hayes 10 F. Melliar-Smith
3 E. Burchett 4 A. Chiswell 5 J. Hotchkiss
1 L. Forrester 2 S. Lewis
H. Theak

S. GEORGE.
(Red and White)

Reserves—Eastern Suburbs 12 C. Bocaberteille
Referee—G. Mc Lay. Linesmen, Messrs. F. Packer and Moss.

2nd Grade, 3.15

ST. GEORGE v. EASTERN SUBURBS

EASTERN SUBURBS

S. Jappy
12 P. Constable 13 Cartier
14 C. Allen 15 H. Massie 16 J. McQuarrie
17 S. Dickens 18 R. Hewieson 19 J. Alexander 20 S. Peel 21 E. Smith

O

17 C. Brown 20 R. Beach 19 G. Wilkinson 18 Stepto 17 Knowles
16 D. Beach 15 Saville 14 W. Worrall
13 J. Harford 12 M. Kennedy
A. Worrall

ST. GEORGE

Referee, T. Leighton.

# Eastern Suburbs Association

RESULTS OF LAST SATURDAY'S GAMES.

**All Age.**

Rose Bay 5, Bondi Beach 1.
Botany Methodist 3, United Juniors
Bondi Waratah 5, Tingira 2.

**A. Grade.**

Bondi Beach 6, Darlinghurst Rangers 0.
Vaucluse 3, Y.M.C.A. 0.
Banksmeadow Rovers 8, Olympians
Bondi United 2, Bondi Waratah 1.

**B. Grade.**

Daceyville Rovers 3, Farmers 1.
Alexandria Juniors 2, Waverley Juniors 0.
Bondi Beach 2, Bondi Waratah 1.

**C. Grade.**

Central Sports 5, Vaucluse 1.
Waverley Juniors 2, Tingira 2.
Alexandria Juniors 3, P.A. Juniors 1.
Bondi Beach 6, Bondi Waratah 0.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

**All Age.**

Bondi Beach v. Tingira, Tingira, 3.15.
Botany Methodist v. Bondi Waratah, Booralee, 3.15.
Rose Bay v. United Juniors, Moore Park No. 23, 3.15.

**A. Grade.**

Darlinghurst Rangers v. Vaucluse, Moore Park No. 24, 3.15.
Y.M.C.A. v. Olympians, Matraville, 3.15.
Bondi Beach v. Bondi Waratah, Centennial Park No. 12, 3.15.
Bondi United v. Banksmeadow R., Booralee, 1.45.

**B. Grade.**

Farmers, bye.
Daceyville Rovers v. Waverley Juniors, Moore Park No. 23, 1.45.
Alexandria Juniors v. Bondi Waratah, Centennial Park No. 13, 3.15.
Waverley United v. Bondi Beach, Moore Park No. 24, 1.45.

**C. Grade.**

Tingira v. Vaucluse, Tingira, 2.0.
Waverley Juniors v. P.A. Juniors, Centennial Park No. 12, 1.45.
Central Sports v. Bondi Waratah, Centennial Park No. 13, 1.45.
Bondi Beach v. Alexandria Juniors, Queens Park No. 6, 3.15.

## Competition Tables

**All Age.**

| | P | W | L | D | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rose Bay | 2 | 2 | — | — | 11 | 3 | 4 |
| Botany Meths. | 2 | 1 | — | 1 | 5 | 3 | 3 |
| United Juniors | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | 5 | 5 | 2 |
| Bondi Waratah | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | 7 | 6 | 2 |
| Bondi Beach | 2 | — | 1 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Tingira | 2 | — | 2 | — | 4 | 11 | 0 |

**A. Grade.**

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bondi Beach | 2 | 2 | — | — | 17 | 0 | 4 |
| Bondi United | 2 | 2 | — | — | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| Banks. Rovers | 2 | 2 | — | — | 10 | 1 | 4 |
| Darl. Rangers | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | 3 | 7 | 2 |
| Vaucluse | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | 3 | 11 | 2 |
| Bondi Waratah | 2 | — | 2 | — | 2 | 4 | 0 |
| Olympians | 2 | — | 2 | — | 1 | 10 | 0 |
| Y.M.C.A. | 2 | — | 2 | — | 1 | 6 | 0 |

**B. Grade.**

| | P | B | W | L | D | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bondi Beach | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | — | 2 | 1 | 4 |
| Alex. Juniors | 2 | — | 2 | — | — | 10 | 0 | 4 |
| Wav. United | 1 | 1 | 1 | — | — | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Wav. Juniors | 2 | — | 1 | 1 | — | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| D'ville Rovers | 2 | — | 1 | 1 | — | 3 | 9 | 2 |
| Farmers | 2 | — | — | 2 | — | 2 | 5 | 0 |
| Bondi W'tah | 2 | — | — | 2 | — | 2 | 5 | 0 |

**C. Grade.**

| | P | W | L | D | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bondi Beach | 2 | 2 | — | — | 15 | 0 | 4 |
| Alex. Juniors | 2 | 2 | — | — | 8 | 1 | 4 |
| Tingira | 2 | 1 | — | 1 | 5 | 2 | 3 |
| Wav. Juniors | 2 | 1 | — | 1 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| Central Sports | 2 | 1 | 1 | — | 5 | 4 | 2 |
| Bondi Waratah | 2 | — | 2 | — | 0 | 11 | 0 |
| Vaucluse | 2 | — | 2 | — | 1 | 9 | 0 |
| P.A. Juniors | 2 | — | 2 | — | 2 | 12 | 0 |

## Abbrev. Laws of the Game.

HANDLING THE BALL.—The goalkeepers only may play the ball with their hands, and they only within the penalty area. INTENTIONAL handling only is penalised by a free kick to the opposite side, opponents keeping back ten yards.

OFF-SIDE.—This is the hardest rule of all. A player cannot be off-side in his own half of the field of play, nor when the ball is last played by an opponent, nor if he is behind the ball when it is last played. He cannot be off-side when a corner kick or throw-in is taken, this protection ceasing when the ball is again played by one of his own side. With these general exceptions a PLAYER MUST HAVE AT LEAST TWO OF HIS OPPONENTS NEARER THEIR OWN GOAL LINE. To be penalised a player must be playing the ball or interfering with the play.

FREE KICK.—A free kick is awarded for handling the ball, tripping, kicking, jumping at, holding, pushing, or illegally charging an opponent or dangerous play.

PENALTY KICK.—This award for the following infringements within the "penalty" area (18 yards mark): Tripping, kicking, striking, jumping at an opponent, handling the ball, holding, pushing, or illegally charging an opponent. All players except the player taking the kick and the opponents' goalkeeper must keep outside the penalty area. The kick is taken from a mark 12 yards from the goal line.

GENERAL.—Intentional infringements only are penalised, and generally speaking the "advantage" rule is followed.

Charging is permissible, but must not be violent or dangerous. Charging behind is illegal unless an opponent is obstructing, but it must under no circumstance be violent or dangerous.

GOAL.—A goal is scored when the ball has passed between the goal posts, under the bar, and completely over the goal line.

CORNER KICK.—If the ball is played behind by one of the defending side, an opponent shall kick it from within one yard of the corner flag.

THROW-IN.—The ball is out of play when it has passed completely over the touch line. The throw-in is taken by an opponent, who must stand with part of both feet on the line and throw the ball with both hands over his head.

DURATION OF GAME.—Except when otherwise arranged, the duration of a game shall be two spells of 45 minutes.


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## To-Day's Fixtures

### 1st Grade.

sville-Ryde v. Balgownie, G. No. 2, 3.15.
eree, Mr. Bates.

ndale-Leichhardt v. Thirroul, x Park, 3.15.
eree, Mr. Lester.

nt-South Sydney v. Balmain, on Park, 3.15.
eree, Mr. Wright.

eorge v. Eastern Suburbs, Red- Oval, 3.15.
eree, Mr. McLay.

ville v. Woonona, Woonona,
eree,

erbury v. Corrimal, Corrimal,
eree,

### 2nd Grade.

nt-South Sydney v. Balmain, on Park, 1.45.
eree, Mr. Doidge.

eorge v. Eastern Suburbs, Red- Oval, 1.45.
eree, Mr. Reighton.

ville v. Annandale-Leichhardt, e Oval, 3.15.
eree, Mr. McGrath.

erbury v. Gladesville-Ryde, G. No. 2, 1.45.
eree, Mr. Skelly.

### CLUB LEAGUE.

y Albion v. Kenilworth, Boo- e Park, 3.15.
eree, Mr. Hague.

ndria v. Balmain, Alexandria 3.15.
eree, Mr. Martin.

nt-Sth. Sydney v. Callan Callan Park, 2.15.
eree, Mr. Baltin.

n United v. Manly; Auburn,
eree, Mr. Ashby.

### TURES FOR SATURDAY, 15th MAY, 1926.

ville v. Eastern Suburbs, Clyde 3.15.

n v. St. George, Easton Park,

nt-South Sydney v. Corrimal, ern Oval, 3.15.

Canterbury v. Thirroul, Canterbury Sports Ground, 3.15.

Balgownie v. Annandale-Leichhardt, Balgownie, 3.30.

Woonona v. Gladesville-Ryde, Woonona, 3.30.

### 2nd Grade.

Granville v. Eastern Suburbs, Clyde Oval, 1.45.

Balmain v. St. George, Easton Park, 1.45.

Gladesville-Ryde v. Pyrmont-South Sydney, Redfern Oval, 1.45.

Annandale-Leichhardt v. Canterbury, Canterbury, 1.45.

### CLUB LEAGUE.

Botany Albion v. C. R. Holcombe, Ltd., Booralee Park, 3.15.

Kenilworth v. Balmain, Ibrox Park, 1.45.

Alexandria v. Manly, Alexandria, 3.15.

Pyrmont-South Sydney v. Auburn United, Ibrox Park, 3.15.

### PREMIERSHIP TABLE

FIRST GRADE

| | P | W | L | D | F | A | Pts |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Granville | 5 | 5 | — | — | 21 | 3 | 10 |
| Glad.-Ryde | 5 | 4 | 1 | — | 10 | 4 | 8 |
| Ann.-Leichhardt | 5 | 3 | 2 | — | 7 | 7 | 6 |
| Canterbury | 5 | 3 | 2 | — | 12 | 8 | 6 |
| Woonoona | 4 | 3 | 1 | — | 12 | 8 | 6 |
| Balgownie | 4 | 3 | 1 | — | 14 | 5 | 6 |
| Corrimal | 4 | 2 | 2 | — | 12 | 12 | 4 |
| East. Suburbs | 5 | 2 | 3 | — | 5 | 7 | 4 |
| Pyr.-Sth. Sydney | 5 | 1 | 4 | — | 6 | 12 | 2 |
| Balmain | 5 | 1 | 4 | — | 8 | 17 | 2 |
| Thirroul | 4 | 1 | 3 | — | 4 | 14 | 2 |
| St. George | 5 | — | 5 | — | 5 | 19 | 0 |

## Results of Last Saturday's Games.

### 1st Grade.

Corrimal beat Balmain, 5-2.

Woonona beat Pyrmont-South Sydney, 1-0.

Gladesville-Ryde beat Canterbury, 3-1.

Granville beat Annandale-Leichhardt, 3-0.

Thirroul beat Eastern Suburbs, 2-0.

Balgownie beat St. George, 4-0.

### 2nd Grade.

Balmain beat Pyrmont-South Sydney, 5-2.

St. George beat Eastern Suburbs, 3-0.

Annandale-Leichhardt beat Granville, 4-1.

Canterbury beat Gladesville-Ryde, 1-0.

### CLUB LEAGUE.

Alexandria beat Kenilworth, 7-2.

Callan Park beat Manly, 6-0.

Auburn United beat Balmain, 6-0.

Pyrmont-South Sydney beat G. R. Holcombe, Ltd., 6-0.

### M.S.F.A. CLUB LEAGUE COMPETITION.

Draw for Season.

#### 5th Round.

Botany Albion v. G. R. Holcombe Ltd.

Kenilworth v. Balmain.

Callan Park, bye.

Alexandria v. Manly.

Pyrmont-South Sydney v. Auburn United.

#### 6th Round.

Botany Albion v. Balmain.

Callan Park v. G. R. Holcombe, Ltd.

Manly v. Kenilworth.

Auburn United, bye.

Pyrmont-South Sydney v. Alexandria.

#### 7th Round.

Botany Albion v. Callan Park.

Balmain v. Manly.

G. R. Holcombe v. Auburn United.

Kenilworth v. Pyrmont-South Sydney.

Alexandria, bye.

#### 8th Round.

Botany Albion v. Manly.

Callan Park v. Auburn United.

Balmain v. Pyrmont-South Sydney.

G. R. Holcombe v. Alexandria.

Kenilworth, bye.

#### 9th Round.

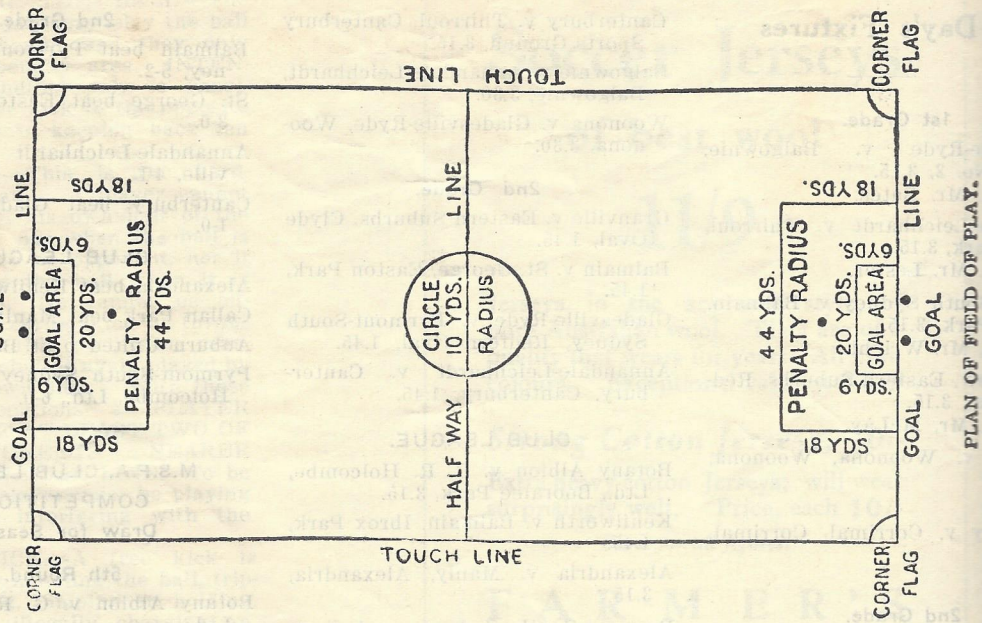
Botany Albion v. Auburn United.

Manly v. Pyrmont-South Sydney.

Callan Park v. Alexandria.

G. R. Holcombe v. Kenilworth.

Balmain, bye.

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The ball is kicked off from the centre of the field optionally by the side which loses the toss for choice of goals. After each goal, the game is recommenced in the same way by the eleven which did not score. A goal is only scored when the ball crosses the goal line between the posts.

When the ball goes behind, it is kicked off from within the goal area, nearest the point it went out.

If the ball is played behind by one of the defending side, a player of the attacking side kicks it from the nearest corner flagstaff. That is called a corner kick.

When the ball goes into touch, a player of the opposite side to that which played the ball out throws it in from the point where it left the field of play.

In the event of intentional handling of the ball, and tripping, kicking or holding an oppon[illegible] charging an opponent from [illegible] by the defending side in the [illegible] area, the referee awards a [illegible] kick, which is taken from [illegible] alty mark with all the play[illegible] cept the kicker and the [illegible] goal-keeper, standing at [illegible] yards from the ball.

A free kick is given for [illegible] the above infringements [illegible] outside the penalty area. [illegible] kicker's opponents must [illegible] proach within 10 yards of [illegible]

A player is offside when he [illegible] or attempts to take, a forw[illegible] in other than his own [illegible] there are not at least two op[illegible] in front of him. It is not [illegible] fringement to stand off-side.

A goal cannot be scored [illegible] from a kick-off, or goal [illegible] from free kicks except when [illegible] are awarded for handling [illegible] kicking, striking or illegally [illegible] ing an opponent.

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# Protestant Churches Association

Lakemba Congs. "A" had Trinity "A" thinking and only towelled them by the odd goal in three. Richards played well. All Souls had a runaway victory, as their Presbyterian contemporaries went to pieces. St. Oswalds netted a point after a good game with and at the expense of St. Aidans "A." All Saints "A" towelled Campsie Meth. "A", who have had a very bad run this year.

W. Boggiss, of St. Silas "A" was the pick of second grade, "A" division players last week. St. Thomas "A" had a good victory, but want to remember that corner flags should be five feet high. Leichhardt Meth. v. Lakemba Congs. B was a good game, with the Meth. boys being unlucky. A feature of this division (B) was the evenness of the teams.

In the third grade, A. Division, St. Andrews, S. Hill, had another victory and look like being a rather good tip. Dick Allan's team again went under, but still have hopes. W. S. Grant was easily the pick of the third grade teams last week. Marrickville Presbyterian thought the cricket season was on —9-1.

### TO-DAY'S GAMES.

Holy Trinity A. should win today, but all other results in first grade are very doubtful. All Saints A. and St. Aidans A. will stage the early fixture at Ibrox Park and both expect to win.

Newtown Meth., St. Stephen, St. Thomas A. and Tempe Park Meth. should all annex two points.

The late match at Ashfield, Croydon Congs. A. and St. Johns, Glebe, should be a close go, with the odds in favour of the country boys. St. Pauls B. might win—and they might not. Kogarah Pres. should have no difficulty in accounting for All Saints B.

The best match in third grade, A. Division, will be Annandale Meth. and St. Andrews, S. Hill. In the B. Division Warren Meth. and Campsie should provide a very fair game.

### ILLNESSES.

Players will be sorry to learn that Mr. Registrar Meyer's daughter is seriously ill in the Coast Hospital and that J. Finnlayson, a player of All Saints A. and one-time secretary of St. Albans, Darlington, has been removed to hospital and is not expected to be on the field again this season. This paper wishes both unfortunates a speedy recovery.

### CORNER FLAGS AND COLOURS.

Teams are reminded two corner flags (each 5ft. high) must be placed in position prior to the match and remain there for the duration of same. Players should also appear in their correct colours. Heavy penalties will be imposed for any breaches of the above.

### REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES.

Applications are invited from any one that would care to visit Kearsley, Hawkesbury College or Canberra. Though all arrangements would be made for them, teams would have to bear their own expenses.

### SPORTS DAY.

A gala day will be held on 7th June on the Canterbury Sports Ground (by the kind permission of J.B.C.) All entries close definitely on 25th May for the undermentioned events. No forms are required, the entrance fee being regarded as such.

Six-a-side K.O. Comp., 1st grade. Entrance fee, 5/6 per team. Six-a-side K.O. Comp., 2nd grade. 5/6. Six-a-side K.O. Comp., 3rd grade. 5/6. 1st grade, 100 yards, 6d. per player. 2nd grade, 100 yards, 6d. 3rd grade, 100 yards, 6d. 1st grade, 220 yards, 6d. 2nd grade, 220 yards, 6d. 3rd grade, 220 yards, 6d. 100 yards Association Championship, 1/ per player. 1 mile Association Championship, 1/-. High Jump, 1/-. 1st grade Inter-Team Relay Race, 2/- per team. 2nd grade Inter-Team Relay Race, 2/-. 3rd grade Inter-Team Relay Race, 2/-.

### G. AND R. FEES.

Though only three matches have been played, some teams are already forgetting their obligations.

### DRAW FOR SATURDAY, 15th MAY, 1926.

#### First Grade.

Campsie Meth. A. v. Leichhardt Pres., Canterbury No. 2, 3.15.
Lakemba Congs. A. v. St. Aidans, Lakemba, 3.15.
Holy Trinity A. v. St. Barnabas, Wardell Road No. 2, 3.15.
All Saints A. v. St. Oswalds, Ashfield, 3.15.
All Souls, bye.

#### 2nd Grade—A. Division.

St. Michaels v. Campsie Pres., Centennial Park No. 2, 3.15.
Newtown Meths. v. St. Silas, Botany, 3.15.
Holy Trinity B. v. St. Pauls, Canterbury No. 3, 3.15.
St. Thomas A. v. Tempe Park Meth., Wardell Road No. 1, 3.15.
St. Stephens, bye.

#### 2nd Grade—B. Division.

All Saints B. v. Lakemba Congs., Wardell Road No. 4, 3.15.
Kogarah Pres. v. St. Johns, Glebe River, 3.15.
Campsie Meth. B. v. Concord Meth., Canterbury No. 2, 1.45.
Croydon Congs. A. v. St. Paul, Ashfield, 1.45.
Leichhardt Meth. v. Balmain Meth., Centennial Park No. 1, 3.15.

#### 3rd Grade—A. Division.

Christ Church v. St. Aidans, Centennial Park No. 1, 1.45.
Croydon Congs. B. v. St. Albans, Centennial Park No. 2, 1.45.
St. Silas B. v. Annandale Meth., Botany, 1.45.
Botany Pres. v. St. Andrews, Wardell Road No. 3, 1.45.

#### 3rd Grade—B. Division.

Marrickville Pres. B. v. Marrickville, Wardell Road No. 4, 1.45.
Dulwich Hill Meth. v. Warren Meths., Canterbury No. 3, 1.45.
Balmain Meth. v. St. Andrews, Lakemba, Wardell Road No. 2, 1.45.
Campsie Congs. v. St. Thomas, Wardell Road No. 1, 1.45.

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